(b) A commercial contract has been signed with M/s. General Electric for supply of a limited number of engines.

Offer of US Defence Secretary to sell LCA to India

2328. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased *to* state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the US Defence Secretary, during his recent visit to India, had agreed to sell the Light Combat Aircraft to India;

(b) what are the conditions attach* ed to it; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

' THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) *No,* Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Discussions between the PrimeMinister and the U. S.Defence Secretary

2329. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the US Defence Secretary Mr. Casper Weinberger during his recent visit to New Delhi had held talks with the Prime Minister and •other leaders of India on wide-ranging subjects relating to defence, co-production of military equipment, relationship between the defence forces of the two countries, offer *of* selling weapons systems, including induction of sophisticated US Technology;

(b) if so, what are the details of *the* discussions held, the issues agreed upon and the sale and transfer of US weapons and military-related technologies etc. to India, the safeguards expected by the US for the transfer of technology and the Indian reaction thereto;

(c) whether the Government ot India had brought to the notice of the US Secretary of Defence the danger of supplying sophisticated weapons to Pakistan by US and Pakistan's nuclear programme, endangering the peace in the sub-continent; and

(d) if so, what was the reaction of US Defence Secretary in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY "OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) to (d) The US Defence Secretary Mr. Casper Weinberger called on the Prime Minister on October 11, 1986. The discussions covered a wide range of subjects including review of the international situation and the security environment in the sub-continent. Mr. Weinberger conveyed the interest of the US Government in the maintenance of peace and stability in the subcontinent. No discussions took place on the relationship of Defence Force or purchase of weapon system.

Enauiry into security lapses involvedin attempt on life of Director Generalof Punjab Police

2330. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an enquiry has been made into the security lapses involved in the terrorists' attempt on the life of Punjab Director General of Police in the first week of October, 1986;

(b) if so, the details of the enquiry indicating the findings thereof- and